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- (1) 11% to increase the bred funds to be allocated as follows:
 - (i) 70% to the Maryland-Bred Race Fund; and
 - (ii) 30% to the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund; and
- (2) 89% to increase purses at harness racing tracks and thoroughbred racing tracks and to contribute to the Health and Welfare Trust of the Joekeys' Guild, Inc. Maryland Horsemen's Assistance Fund, Inc. to be allocated as follows:
- (i) 70% to purses at the mile thoroughbred racing tracks and Timonium, provided that \$250,000 \$100,000 shall be paid to the Health and Welfare Trust maintained by Jeckeys' Guild, Inc. for the purpose of providing health, disability, and retirement benefits to active, disabled, or retired thoroughbred jeckeys who are or have been regularly riding in the State, and their dependents, in accordance with eligibility criteria established by Jeckeys' Guild, Inc. Maryland Horsemen's Assistance Fund, Inc. for the purpose of providing health and education benefits for eligible persons that are licensed by the Maryland Racing Commission; and
- (ii) 30% to purses at the harness racing tracks which shall be allocated 85% for Rosecroft Raceway and 15% for Ocean Downs.
- (e) All funds provided for purses and bred funds at harness racing racks, mile thoroughbred racing tracks, and Timonium Race Course by this Act shall be in addition to and may not supplant:
- (1) Amounts allocated for purses and bred funds under current agreements between the harness racing tracks and the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of standardbred horses in the State; and
- (2) Amounts otherwise provided in statute for purses and bred funds at mile thoroughbred racing tracks and Timonium Race Course.
- (f) The purses shall be distributed at mile thoroughbred racetracks and Timonium Race Course according to a formula determined by the State Racing Commission in consultation with the racetrack licensees and the organization that represents a majority of owners and trainers of thoroughbred horses in the State.
- SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the racing facility master plan developed by a mile thoroughbred licensee under § 11-1203 of the Business Regulation Article and submitted to the Commission for approval shall include a description of any proposed improvements at the Bowie Race Course Training Facility. The licensee shall comply with the provisions of Section 4 of this Act in developing this portion of the master plan.
- SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That no funds may be made available to a licensee under § 11–1206(f) of the Business Regulation Article until:
- (1) A licensee has submitted a multiyear racing facility improvement plan to the Governor; and
 - (2) The Governor approves the plan.